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Federal mandates impact foreign students

BY ABIGAIL D. MALIK
MANAGING EDITOR

A new international student tracking system mandated by the federal government is being implemented in colleges nationwide and MSU is working to accommodate the new regulations for its approximately 150 international students.

In a May 10, 2002 news conference, United States Attorney General John Ashcroft announced the creation of the Student Exchange and Visitor Information System (SEVIS).

Ashcroft said the system would link college databases electronically to the U.S. Immigration and Naturalization Service (INS) in a centralized, rapid-access reporting system.

"The system is designed to increase security, reduce visa fraud, and ensure security

are present on campus.

The new system was implemented on a voluntary basis beginning July 1, 2002, and will become mandatory on Jan. 30, 2003, according to the news conference script.

Dr. Robert Frank, MSU associate dean of international education, said the new system has more scrutiny, more checks on student's lives, and makes it more difficult for an international student to get a visa to study in the U.S.

Frank said newly required information about each incoming international student includes any change in a student's field of study, driver's license number, address or phone number, permis-

sion address in the home country, and social security number or tax number.

"Most of the information must be reported within a day of notification," Frank said. "We have heard some rumors that some

called the Designated School Official (DSO) reported to the INS only information international students told them.

"In fact, we were told last year that the university was not responsible for enforcing the rules," Frank said.

Frank said, under the new rules, the title of DSO will be changed to SEVIS Enforcement Officer and the university now has more of an enforcement expectation.

He said in the past when an international student was accepted to a document allowing that student to apply for a student visa called an F-1 visa.

The student would enter the United

States on the I-20 he received from his chosen school.

"It would take up to nine months for the paperwork to make its way through the myriad of bureaucracy before we would receive the form from the student's point of entry," Frank said. "In the past two months, these forms have arrived within 30 days."

It is at this point SEVIS speeds up the registration and notification process of confirming an international student's presence at his host university, and Frank said this is an advantage.

Frank said when a school issues a student an I-20 his information goes into the national database. The INS checks to verify the student has the proper forms and then notifies the school that the student has entered the

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Students urged to participate in government

BY ROBERT J. BANTA
NEWS EDITOR

Former Kentucky Governor and Democratic U.S. Senator Wendell Ford visited MSU yesterday, introducing a new convocation series on Public Policy.

The convocation was sponsored by MSU's Institute for Regional Analysis and Public Policy (IRAPP) and the University of Kentucky's Martin School of Public Policy and Administration.

Ford, along with Eugenia Toma, professor and director of the Martin School, spoke at the session in Breckinridge hall.

IRAPP and the Martin School recently have begun working in conjunction to offer undergraduate degrees in public policy at MSU and graduate degrees at the Martin School.

Last year, the Martin School's public finance program was rated fifth in the nation.

After Toma spoke about the new collaboration between the schools, Ford spoke about his long career in politics and what students studying public policy should focus on.

Ford spoke about the need for young people to become involved in government and their country.

"We need people like you to be interested in the system or the system won't work," Ford said. "Life has changed tremendously in recent years, but one thing I hope will never change is our belief in democracy. You have to question your government. That's what makes it work."

Ford also criticized how much modern political campaigns have come to rely on money.



Former U.S. Sen. Wendell Ford speaks to students and faculty at a convocation Tuesday.

"We'd go down to town and buy a two-gallon can of Owekiboro Canning Company may be and sell a half dozen of beans, piece of corn bread and coffee for \$5. That was grassroots; we've gotten away from that. I decided to retire when I

found out I'd have to raise \$5 million to run again."

In closing, Ford urged students in the IRAPP program and all students to take part in government.

"We need to get young, aggressive, smart people to take over gov-

ernment," Ford said. "We need people trying to make things right and make things better."

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Flooding disrupts Rader Hall classrooms

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NEWS EDITOR

As the remnants of Tropical Storm Isidore pumpeled over Kentucky last week, many wondered if MSU and Morehead would experience a repeat of last May's flooding.

Though six to seven inches fell on Thursday and Friday, MSU escaped with only one major problem, a clogged storm sewer that backed water up into the first floor of Rader Hall forcing several classes to be moved.

Larry Caulliff, director of the MSU Facility Plant, said that kind of flooding is rare.

"The storm sewers handle a lot of water along with the rain and dirt and mud that's in it and they usually clean themselves, but it's something you can't check. It could have been a plastic jug or something that clogged up," Caulliff said.

After the storm, sewer became clogged, the perforated pipe that releases collected water back into the ground reversed itself, forcing water to back up into Rader's foundation drains.

Caulliff said once the problem was discovered, the storm sewer was cleared and the flooded classrooms were dried and cleaned by janitorial crews.

He said Physical Plant workers on regular roofs and storm drains on a regular basis and when they know there is going to be a heavy rain, but flooding on campus is largely out of their control and stems, for the most part, from three problem areas.

Weatherly gymnasiums, which suffered the most severe flooding last year, sits about a foot lower than the surrounding area, Caulliff said.

"Over the years the foundation has settled," Caulliff said. "Our main concern was to keep water off the floor, which would just run it. We used sandbags last year and were able to keep the water away from the floor."

Also, the rain that falls on campus, and much of Morehead, collects into a state drainage ditch that empties into Triple Creek, near the city park.

In recent years parts of the ditch and creek itself has become clogged with debris, decreasing the amount of water the creek can move. When the creek gets more water than it can handle, water backs up into the drainage ditch and storm drains on campus.

Caulliff said the state is working to correct the problem, which would help prevent flooding on campus and in Morehead.

But mainly, Caulliff said, the biggest problem is that no one can

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Students save finals week Reading Day

BY MIRANDA WILSON

On Sept. 13, the Faculty Senate discussed the proposed elimination of Reading Day beginning in spring 2003 after hearing a strong student response. Dr. Michael Moore, executive vice president of Academic Affairs, decided Reading Day would be scheduled as originally planned.

Though faculty and staff were divided on the issue, Moore said student opinion was the deciding factor on which he based his decision.

"There was an overwhelming student response to continue with Reading Day," Moore said.

The idea to get rid of Reading Day was proposed by Student Life over concerns the day was not being

utilized as it was intended, Moore said.

"The night before [Reading Day] is usually a party night," Moore said.

Reading Day was originally created to give students a free day in the middle of final exam week to study.

Moore said.

Dr. Terry Irons, chair of the Evaluation Committee for the

Faculty Senate, said Reading Day is missed and gives students "an excuse to impair themselves on Tuesday night."

According to the Faculty Senate representatives, if Reading Day were to be eliminated, final exams would be spread over a five-day period allowing for more time between exams.

Dr. Terry Irons, chair of the

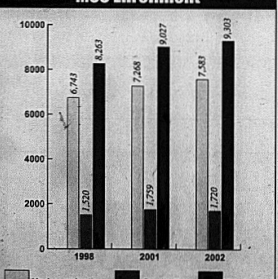
three exams on the same day.

Faculty Senate Chair Leslie Lennox said the issue was relayed to the Student Government Association where the response was against the elimination of Reading Day.

Student Government President Jason Rainey said the issue received

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MSU Enrollment



Source: Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education

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Enrollment numbers up

Preliminary figures show three percent increase

BY MIRANDA WILSON

MSU has set a fall semester enrollment record this fall.

Preliminary figures show 9,303 students have enrolled this semester, a three percent increase over enrollment figures for Fall 2001.

In a recent release Dr. Michael Moore, MSU provost and executive vice-president, said, "It is definitely a milestone for us, but it's still not our final tally."

A few cautions don't begin until mid-semester or enrollment numbers for those classes as well as final numbers from pro extended campuses are not complete yet."

The actual record enrollment number should be known by early November, Moore said.

This fall's numbers include 7,583 undergraduates and 1,720 graduate students, the second high-

est graduate enrollment in more than 20 years.

According to the Kentucky Council on Postsecondary Education, enrollment in Kentucky colleges and universities have enrolled 8,838 more students this year, an increase of 4.9 percent in the last year.

Associate Director of Admissions Joseph Pace said the increase in enrollment is related to the weakness of the economy.

Pace said MSU concentrates recruiting efforts in the Eastern Kentucky region, but representatives also visit areas in Tennessee, Ohio, West Virginia, and Indiana.

Pace said MSU is a small university where students can build a better student-professor relationship than they would be able to at other universities.

"That is a selling point of the

university," Pace said. "There are more opportunities for students."

The issue of overcrowding in dorms has become a concern for students since the preliminary enrollment figures were made public.

Admissions Specialist Vincent Butler said overcrowding is not expected to be an issue.

"It may look like a problem, but the solution has already been decided on," Butler said.

Registrar Loretta Lykins said once before, when dorms were overcrowded, students were put into rooms at the Holiday Inn.

Butler said a similar plan would be put into place should such a situation presents itself.

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West Nile Virus in Rowan County

BY ROBERT J. BANTA
EDITOR

A dead bird from Morehead submitted for testing by the Kentucky Department for Public Health has tested positive for the West Nile Virus.

The bird, a dove found on Aug. 28, was submitted to state health officials in Frankfort for testing, but due to a never backlog of suspected West Nile virus cases was not analyzed until Sept. 17. Deborah Thomas, senior health environmentalist for the Rowan Co. Health Center said.

After testing positive, The Gateway District Health Department was notified.

A resident near Old Flemingsburg Road discovered the bird.

Thomas said though the bird was found near a creek, where mosquitoes may breed, the resident maintained a number of bird feeders and can't be sure whether the bird contracted the virus near the home or in a different area.

Since the discovery of the first confirmed case, another infected bird has been found in the western

part of the county and possibly contracted the virus in Fleming County, where several infected birds have been discovered, Thomas said.

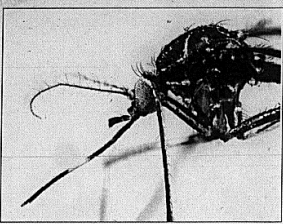


Photo on file

Thomas said she has been trapping and testing mosquitoes throughout the summer in conjunction with a statewide program to monitor the spread of the virus and found no positive pools.

Thomas said the best way to prevent being bit by a mosquito and possibly contracting the virus is to prevent the places where mosqui-



Photo on file

toes can multiply, water that can collect and stagnate for three-four days.

"Even drainage cups under flower pots need to be watched," Thomas said.

Wearing light colored clothing and an insect repellent that contains DEET will also help warding off the insects, Thomas said.

In Kentucky the insects will only survive for a few more weeks before the weather becomes too cold, usually when it drops under 60 degrees for a prolonged period of time, Thomas said.

Also recent heavy rains have flushed many of the stagnant pools that have formed in low creeks, Thomas said.

As of Sept. 10, there had been 121 cases of West Nile Virus in Kentucky and two deaths. Nationally, there have been 1,086 cases and 45 deaths.

In areas infected by the West Nile Virus, only one percent of mosquitoes are carriers and less than one percent of people bit become ill.

Those at a greater risk include people over 50 years old, young children and people with compromised immune systems.

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International students registered with INS

From Page 1—INTERNATIONAL United States.

The bottom line is that information is updated quicker for everyone," Frank said.

MSU underwent in August to begin using SEVIS to issue I-20s to international students but Frank said this information is only entered into the INS system.

Pam Jaisingh, International Student Services coordinator, enters the data into the INS website.

A second setup for schools with more than 50 international students, referred to as the "batch system," is still under preparation.

Frank said MSU is in the process of buying the software needed to use the second system.

"With the batch we enter data into our system and then Mrs. Jaisingh can retrieve what is needed to submit to the INS. This will be much better," Frank said.

"However, no one is able to use the batch system yet."

The INS was supposed to have the system prepared by September 2002 for some schools to test. But now the INS has testified before Congress that they will be unable to enter the Jan. 31, 2003, deadline previously set for all schools to be using the system, Frank said.

In addition to Jaisingh, MSU Provost Michael Moore, Deborah Abell, associate vice president for Undergraduate and Graduate Studies, and Frank, serve as DSOs.

Frank said only Jaisingh has

training on how SEVIS is operated. With the old tracking system, any DSO was able to sign an I-20 to allow an enrolled international student to leave the United States and return during holidays.

Frank said now MSU will have to hire an additional person to aid Jaisingh in using SEVIS.

"Unfortunately this comes at a time when Kentucky is facing budget problems," Frank said. "But I don't see how we can follow the required regulations without an additional person."

Frank said all the students who entered the United States this fall on

an MSU I-20 are present and accounted for on campus.

At the news conference Ashcroft said the United States generously accommodates those who wish to work here, to study here, and those who wish to become citizens.

Frank said, "We need to remember international students here are MSU students. Most sacrifice a lot to be here. And Morehead State is a better university because we have them here."

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Police Report

Sept. 24-Oct. 1
Michael A. Day, 23, Morehead, Ky., was arrested Sept. 24 at Alumni Tower for theft.

Taylor L. McGowan, 19, 303 Fair Oaks, Jamestown, Ky., was arrested Sept. 25 in front of Cooper Hall for alcohol intoxication.

Nathan Blackburn, 18, 363 Penny St., Pikeville, Ky., was arrested Sept. 25 at Waterfield Hall for alcohol intoxication and possession of a controlled substance.

Jason Clevenger, 19, 7048 West Hwy. 60, Olive Hill, Ky., was arrested Sept. 26 at 1301 Mignon Tower for alcohol intoxication.

John E. Beard, Jr., 23, Morehead, Ky., was arrested Sept. 26 at the rear of ADUC for alcohol intoxication.

Kenton S. Taulbee, 18, 6700 Hwy. 772, West Liberty, Ky., was arrested

Sept. 26 at Waterfield Hall for alcohol intoxication.

Matthew Layman, 19, 776 McIntosh Dr., Taylorsville, Ky., was arrested Sept. 27 at the Family Dollar for for driving under the influence.

Travis J. Gilliam, 19, Sandy Hook, Ky., was arrested Sept. 27 at near Breckinridge Hall for alcohol intoxication.

Jason L. Smith, 21, Morehead, Ky., was arrested Sept. 28 at Eagle Lake Apartments for assault and alcohol intoxication.

Brittany E. Varney, 19, 11914 Elkwood Dr., Cincinnati, Ky., was cited Sept. 28 on University Boulevard for speeding.

Adam B. Manning, 225 Mills Ave., Flemingsburg, Ky., was cited Sept. 30 for disregarding a stop sign.

Daniel Stinnett, 19, 501 Pleasant Court, Lexington, Ky., was arrested Oct. 1 at Waterfield Hall for disorderly conduct.

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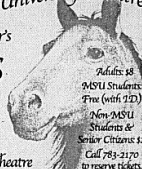
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Reading Day saved

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many valid arguments both for and against the removal of Reading Day at the Sept. 25 SOA meeting.

Madison Weather, vice president of Student Life, said student input was the deciding factor in maintaining Reading Day, but the

issue could be revisited in the future. "Student behavior may warrant whether the issue will be revisited," Weather said. "Students should be responsible with Reading Day."

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Flooding moves classes

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control how much water Mother Nature decides to drop.

"We can handle six-seven inches over 24 hours like we had this

weekend with no problem," Caudill said. "But if we get four, five, or six inches in a couple hours like we had last year, there's not much we can do. We just can't handle that much water."

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EDITORIALS**U.S. liberties established foundation of diversity**

She stands proudly in New York Harbor, a symbol to America and an ambassador to the world. The Statue of Liberty resonates the image of freedom the world over. Or does she?

These words are engraved at the feet of Lady Liberty: "Give me your tired, your poor, your huddled masses yearning to breathe free."

This message reflects the makeup of America — immigrants from all corners of the globe. And many of those immigrants have sailed through New York Harbor and started new lives as Americans — living in a free society.

So why now would this country want to turn its back on the foundations that made it what it is? In its post 9/11 fervor, the U.S. government is putting restrictions on foreigners that discriminate against many.

There's a fine line between protecting the nation's security and protecting her freedoms and the government is erasing that line.

All foreign students are now put under a microscope of suspicion. It is now government policy that all colleges and universities must know and report the exact whereabouts and movements of all international students. If an institution does not provide this information and meet government deadlines, the institution's international students can be forced home.

Should it happen at MSU, nearly 150 international students would be sent packing. Although, at this stage, it is only a threat, such a policy could harm many innocent MSU students.

Dr. Robert Frank, associate dean of International Education, says MSU has met all the policy deadlines thus far. But as the government increases demands on tracking international students, discrimination to innocent students is likely to happen in the future.

This intense scrutiny flows over to any sort of application a foreign student might apply for, including a Social Security card, driver's license, or visa. The process for any application is long, involving interviews, numerous documentation and extended waiting period. There's enough red tape to build a wall around the entire nation.

Does the United States really want to build a wall around the country? Walls should be broken down (ala the Berlin Wall) not put up around the land of opportunity.

America must be careful of the message it sends to the world. It must consider its image. Does it really want to promote discrimination against foreigners (legally known as aliens), many of whom come from countries allied with the U.S.?

It's not the first time this nation has faced fear and uncertainty with a result of tighter security. When the Japanese bombed Pearl Harbor, the U.S. government, in its haste to tighten homeland security, rounded up all Japanese-Americans and detained them in concentration camps?

We need to learn from the past and consider how many of our freedoms we are willing to sacrifice to the name of security. If while running scared we give up our liberties, the terrorists win.

Let's remember the rights of this great country, the heritage of her citizens and respect her guests — guests, who like many of those on whose shoulders the nation was born, might also someday be citizens. To be truly united states, instead of fearing and discouraging our diversity, we must celebrate, cherish and encourage it.

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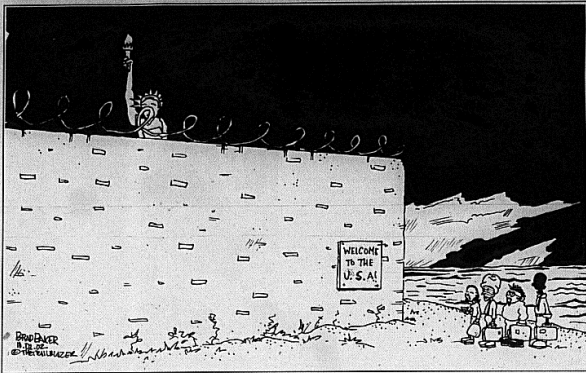
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— Abraham Lincoln

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**Commentary****Ask vets about horrors of war**

BY MATT ALLEY
POLITICAL COLUMNIST

Perhaps the inner-circle war hawks in the Bush administration would be less bellicose with regard to Iraq had any of them served in combat.

President Bush served his country during the Vietnam War by serving briefly in the Texas National Guard. Vice President Dick Cheney never served in the military at all, having in his words, "other priorities."

Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld did serve in the Navy, but not in time of war, and Condoleezza Rice, like Cheney, has no military background.

Consider, in contrast to the Bush administration's verbal drumbeat about the need for war, the attitudes of two five-star generals, Dwight Eisenhower and George Marshall, toward armed conflict as quoted in Carlo D'Este's "Eisenhower: A Soldier's Life."

Of war, Eisenhower said, "I hate war as only a soldier who has lived it can, only as one who has seen its brutality, its futility, its stupidity."

Marshall, speaking in a similar vein, noted that "There is nothing romantic, dramatic or satisfying in modern conflict. It is all horrible."

really is, perhaps the country would be better served if they concentrated their efforts on saving our failing economy — something their capitalistic and Ivy League backgrounds should be better suited for.

Although the best interests of the United States should be on their minds, it's very doubtful these war hawk elitists will even consider anything other than injecting the media and the people with doses of war venom for the next two years until the next presidential election.

The present Bush administration should remember two immutable truths about War.

First, one of war's first casual-

ties is the plans made for conducting it.

Second, war's consequences are unpredictable. Germany and Japan learned, to their great regret, the latter in WWII. And we, with bitterness, learned it in Vietnam.

War is hell.

Ask anyone who has served this country's military during wartime and they will echo the fact.

But do not ask inner-circle war hawks, because they don't have a clue about the realities of war.

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Dorm bathrooms detestable

BY DUSTIN HAWKINS
COLUMNIST

No matter how hard dorm-dwellers try, there is no avoiding it. You might resist, but eventually you break. You swallow the lump of fear in your throat and enter — never knowing what might be lurking behind that door. It's frightening, but it's your only option. At some point you have to use the dorm bathroom.

Like a scene from "Fear Factor," dormitory bathrooms become a test of willpower. You try your best not to gag. Only those with the strongest stomachs will survive.

What possesses grown men to miss the toilet but hit the seat and women to leave used personal

products strewn about? Is it because this campus is full of spoiled students who are used to their mothers cleaning up after them?

Well kids, it's time to grow up. By the time you reach voting age, you should be able to use the restroom without clogging up the sinks with toilet paper or throwing bits of food. I have yet to see a campus bathroom ceiling without drips of pasta stuck to it. I have even seen the results of flushing garbage-filled trash bins in the toilet. It's not pretty.

Balancing seems to be the only thing on your mind once you enter these cesspools. If you were to stumble and touch the floor, wall,

or anything else for that matter, you might as well have that extremely removed or just yourself incalculated against most major diseases.

There are problems students might not be directly responsible for — like the mildew flourishing in the showers, the sink faucets that constantly drip (if you work at all), or the perpetual use of plywood to replace broken stall doors.

Many students, as they shower, are threatened by rusty metal in many dorms. These remnants of days gone by have no use but to increase the chance of getting tetanus. Why haven't they been removed? Luckily the iron-oxide streaks running down the shower walls match the black rings on the

shower floors and the lime deposits on the showerheads.

Maybe if students showed more respect for the bathroom facilities, the university would be more inclined to give them a facelift. It's worth a try.

I have a vision. A vision that one day the sink I choose will have functioning hot and cold knobs. I have a vision that the toilet seat will not move while I'm using it. I have a vision that one day we can all walk into a dormitory bathroom and say, "Wow. This is nice."

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What is the biggest problem facing the nation right now—the economy, Saddam Hussein and Iraq, or terrorism?

Jonie Sexton
Carlisle, Ky.
Spanish Education



Brad Given
South Williamson, Ky.
Sophomore Art

"The economy because this is a capitalist country we live in and while terrorism is bad and we need to look out for it, we can't let it affect business and the way people do jobs. It's as much a part of everybody's life as anything and they're negotiating it right now."



Liz Haynes
Lexington, Ky.
Sophomore Math



John Blankenship
Mt. Sterling, Ky.
Senior Communications

"I'd have to say it'd be the issue with Iraq because Bush wants to go to war and it's just a matter of time, he's getting ready right now."

"Definitely the ordeal with Saddam Hussein because I think he's being used as a distraction. We haven't won the war on terrorism and Bush wants re-elected. If we fight Saddam Hussein and beat him that's all people are going to remember about Bush. We beat Saddam Hussein but we are still losing another war."

Around Campus— Internet-based regional radio gains popularity

Internet-based regional radio networks are increasing in popularity nationwide, but member stations have to make a commitment to share their product in order to make them work for their listeners. In his article "Regional Networks: The Best of Both Worlds", Charles Compton, news director of Morehead State Public Radio (MSRP) says, "I have helped in the creation of three such regional networks and have learned and have learned that if you build it they will come."

Compton says internet radio is the biggest problem facing regional Internet-based networks. The MSRP network was launched with FM transmitters on July 15 in Rowan, Lee and Martin counties linking WMYC 90.3 FM in Morehead, WOCB 88.3 FM in Leno-Boneville and translator W202BH, Lee, 88.3 FM. MSRP hopes to expand its network from 30 counties in Ohio, Kentucky, and West Virginia to include more stations to serve a greater portion of the Appalachian Region.

Excel course to be offered in October

The Office of Continuing Education will offer a new, Excel course in October and again in November.

The introductory class will cover the basic applications of Excel 2002 XP, including creating, editing and formatting.

The course will be offered from 10 a.m. - 3 p.m. on the weekends of Oct. 5-6 and Nov. 9-10 in 312 Condit Building. The fee is \$55. Additional information is available by calling Linda McClesse at 783-2875.

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The Posters-at-the-Capitol event in Frankfort will showcase the work of students from such institutions as Eastern Kentucky University, University of Kentucky, and other state colleges and universities.

The posters may consist of any type of study, research, or experiment conducted with a faculty member. The dimensions should be no larger than 4 feet by 4 feet.

Abstracts describing the research or study must be 250 words or less and may be submitted on <http://campus.jourjaysdale.edu/services/URSA>. Students will be notified about the decision of the selection committee by Nov. 20.

Please call Dr. John Mateja at 270-762-3191 or e-mail him at john.mateja@jourjaysdale.edu with any questions.

Deadline to apply for graduation approaching

The deadline to apply for an undergraduate degree has formally passed. For undergraduates expecting to graduate in December, Oct. 11 is the final day to complete the application for graduation. The application can be obtained from the Registrar's Office in Ginger Hall. Only those students who will have completed graded requirements by December should file for an application for a degree. For additional information, contact the Registrar's Office at 783-2008.

CAMPUS LIFE

Students fight the "freshman 15"

Concerns about gaining weight prompt students to hit the gym

BY MALLORY BOWMAN
STAFF WRITER

Packing on the pounds seems to be one of the main issues on the minds of freshmen in college. Morehead State University students are no exception. But the myth that college freshmen pack on an average of 15 pounds the first year isn't exactly true.

MSU Coordinator of Student Wellness Judy Krug says although gaining the weight is a possibility, not all freshmen suffer.

"The freshman 15 can happen for some students," Krug says. "Freshmen aren't used to the need to discipline their food choices. High school tends to be more structured. When you come to campus, you have a lot more time and choices."

According to a recent study released by the University of Alabama at Tuscaloosa, men stay close to the same weight during their freshman year and women on average gain four pounds.

MSU freshman Laura Biez says she has gained weight since college began.

"I have gained 20 pounds since

I started college," Biez says. "I don't really do anything here. I'm a

Fighting the 'Freshman 15'

- Eat in moderation.
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- Pick an eating plan that meets your personalized needs.
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lot less active and I eat a lot. I don't get as much exercise either."

Krug says a number of factors can cause freshmen to gain weight. Factors such as unstructured lifestyle, eating on the go, no dietary discipline and the emotional stress of starting college can cause freshmen to gain extra pounds.

But some MSU students say the myth of freshmen weight gain has n't affected them.

MSU junior Rob Lux says starting college supplied him with options to improve his health.

"I just lost 10 to 15 pounds when I was a freshman," Lux said. "My eating habits didn't change. I lost weight because Morehead offers an extremely nice workout center that was at my disposal."

MSU freshman Trevor Applegate agrees college has changed his eating habits.

"I think I'm actually losing weight," Applegate says. "I'm only eating two meals a day here and at home I ate five. I go to eat and I remember that I don't have time."

Like it or not, it's fact that college freshmen are somewhat prone to gaining weight. According to a

1997 Duke University Medical Study, college freshman gain extra pounds because they study more, exercise less and eat on the run.

MSU freshman Robert Erwin says gaining extra weight is related to the amount of time available for eating.

"I eat a lot of microwave

foods," Erwin says. "They are easy to fix and quick."

Besides the physical side of freshman weight gain, Krug says there is also a physiological aspect involving the adaptation process.

"Many times it takes students a while to become comfortable at college and get out and get involved," Krug says. "Whatever stress students are feeling, some will eat to comfort themselves."

Krug warns freshmen the choices they make could affect them for the rest of their lives.

"Some students who gain do lose the weight," Krug says. "But for others, [the weight] is part of who they are now."

MSU Wellness Center Director

Jane Brown says exercise is key in maintaining a healthy weight.

"An exercise program is imperative," Brown says. "I don't necessarily think that all freshmen go through the freshman 15, but exercise and good nutrition go hand-in-hand."

The MSU Wellness Center is open to all students. The center can create a specialized exercise program based on a physical assessment for each student for \$15.

Whether freshmen students are gaining or losing weight, Krug says there are basic ways for all college students to be healthy.

"The first thing to do is be aware that [weight gain] can happen," Krug says. "Then, make a plan concerning your eating habits. Set lifetime habits. And exercise. If you develop an exercise pattern it will benefit you for the rest of your life."

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Dining services offers variety

Students say campus eateries offering more options, better service

BY JAMIE HAMMONS
STAFF WRITER

When students faced the fall term, many noticed changes in the ADUC and Alumni dining halls.

Roy Biggers, Food Service Director, says the changes have included changing the former buffet in Alumni to "Real Food on Campus" buffet and a Grille Wokery in place of the former Burger King.

Biggers says Burger King was changed to Grille Wokery after a student vote last spring.

He also says a new place called "Home Zone" has been added in place of the old MSU BBQ Grill in ADUC.

Junior Michelle Mullins, Marketing Manager of Food Services, says the former Wokery in ADUC has been changed to World's Fare.

"At first, Food Services planned to serve Mediterranean, Latin, and Asian cuisine, alternating it each week. MSU students did not like this arrangement, so Food Services decided to

change it back to a stir-fry, Mullins said.

Starbucks coffee has been added to campus in four locations, Mullins says.

Sophomore Rachel Dunn says she likes the changes in Alumni and ADUC dining halls because she likes the variety and she thinks the food is better.

Senior Amy Hutchison says the changes are agreeable because the food is "kind of home cooked, not so greasy and fattening."

Food offered at RFOC is prepared in batches of no more than 48 items at a time and is freshly prepared all day long, says Biggers.

RFOC has many features, Biggers says it has an exposition station in which every-

thing is cooked fresh in front of you and is made as requested.

Biggers says, "We have removed the mystery. You see everything cooked in front of you."

RFOC also has altered its salad bar, now called a produce market, to display fresh cut vegetables, Biggers says.

RFOC also offers a smoothie bar during breakfast hours.

A pizza oven will be added to the RFOC in the next 15 days, Biggers says.

Biggers says in the former buffet in Alumni, the number of students at dinner between the hours of 4:30 p.m. and 8 p.m., has increased from nearly 250 students a year to almost 700 students this year.

Aramark funded the

renovations in ADUC and Alumni dining halls, which cost approximately \$200,000, Mullins says.

Mullins says MSU is one of Aramark's first test sites for the dining changes.

She says many of the universities across the United States will change this type of dining.

Meal plan costs and options have also changed.

In previous years, freshmen and sophomores were required to purchase a minimum \$300 dining club or an alternate meal plan.

On-campus freshmen are now required to purchase a meal plan.

The cheapest meal plan, which supplies a student with eight meals a week, costs \$549.

Senior Tiffany Parsons (left) and Senior Angela Preston (right) enjoy a quiet lunch in the dining area in ADUC.

Photos by Jamie Hammons

On-campus sophomores are required to pay for a \$400 minimum dining club or a meal plan.

Mullins says the meal plans have been changed due to a contract change between Aramark and MSU.

Meal plans were also modified to allow students to have a larger variety since different students have different needs, Mullins says.

Not only have the food and meal plans been altered but the atmosphere of the dining halls themselves has been changed as well.

The dining halls have been repainted, lighting has been changed, and fixtures are different from last year. Mullins says Aramark is trying to take a more contemporary approach to dining.

Mullins says "(It's) not just food but the whole experience."

Biggers says Food Services wants students to be treated as though they are in a restaurant and not in a campus dining hall.

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Movie Preview

Hannibal films differ from literature plots

BY ABIGAIL D. MALIK
MANAGING EDITOR

When *Silence of the Lambs* surfaced in theaters more than seven years ago, its opening quickly crept upon audiences. Word spread of the movie's unique flavor, and Anthony Hopkins & Co. became a feast.

Then in 1999 Thomas Harris sequenced *Hannibal* came out in hard-back followed by the year later, Longtime Lecter fans were in for a mouthful.

Now the time has come for the third installment of the Hannibal Lecter, M.D., chronicles—*Red Dragon*.

Before the book versions of *Silence of the Lambs* and *Hannibal*, there was *Red Dragon*, published in 1981 and republished in 2000. It is in this book we were first introduced to the much younger Dr. Lecter.

In George Lucas-like fashion, the beginning of this saga is coming out

after the entire story has already been told. But it makes Dr. Lecter nonetheless enticing.

Nothing captures the true malice of Dr. Lecter like the carefully written word—and Harris did just that in both *Red Dragon* and *Hannibal*.

The novels are enticing and full of such precise detail and unbelievable creativity the making of film versions was inevitable.

So in 2001 the doctor emerged from the dark with a new menu in the film *Hannibal*.

Some fans were disappointed with the new Clarice Starling, played by Jodie Foster, saying she was a far cry from the original Agent Starling, Jodie Foster.

Others say too much action was packed into too little time, and that factor changed the psychological thrill that permeated *Silence of the Lambs* viewers.

One thing is certain—the movie



Hannibal Lecter, M.D.

version of *Hannibal* differed in many aspects from the book and the film *Red Dragon* will doubtless be no exception.

Some characters from *Hannibal* the book were omitted from the screenplay, including Margot, the bench-pressing lesbian sister of

Mason Verger.

And the conclusion of *Hannibal* was completely altered.

In the book, a bedridden Verger drowns when an early John Margot stuffs a live owl down his throat.

But onscreen Verger is killed when the nurse Cordell pushes him off a balcony into a sea of killer Italian-bred dogs.

The scene is almost as gruesome as when Dr. Lecter eats FBI Inspector Paul Krendler's brain—while they both sip champagne at the table (an aspect shared by both movie and book).

At the end of the movie, Starling and Dr. Lecter go their separate ways, leaving the door open for Harris to explore. In fact, some talk has already been heard concerning the making of a fourth movie.

The final scene with Dr. Lecter on a plane adds a seemingly pleasant ending to the antiheroes' escape, but the little boy's dining on

brain lets the audience know the doctor will return. But in the book, in a wicked coil of psychology and inevitability.

Starling and Dr. Lecter become lovers, get married and move to Buenos Aires, Argentina.

Under the spell of Dr. Lecter, Starling somehow forgets her past and transforms into a cultured and intelligent Mrs. Hannibal Lecter, M.D.

Red Dragon is the tale of FBI agent Will Graham (Edward Norton), who finds himself asking the imprisoned Dr. Lecter for help in solving the mystery of a new serial killer.

Agent Graham is forced out of retirement to pursue Francis Dolarhyde (Ralph Fiennes), a man in which insanity and ambition coexist at a very dangerous level.

Dolarhyde is fascinated with Dr. Lecter and the book is a ping-pong game of Dr. Lecter baiting back and

forth between aiding "The Dragon" Dolarhyde sees within himself and helping Graham kill it.

Dr. Lecter plays a small role in the book *Red Dragon* compared to his dominating presence in *Silence of the Lambs* and *Hannibal*.

But the doctor is thus far the driving force behind the two movies and it is that rasped face so many viewers recognize and flock to theaters to see.

Red Dragon is certain to be among the best films of the year and undoubtedly one of the most anticipated by fans of the trilogy.

If the onscreen version is anything new the captivating quality of the book, *Red Dragon* is sure to complete the Lecter saga and make an unprecedented impact on audiences.

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CD Review

Jerusalem more patriotic than controversial

BY MATT ALLEY
POLITICAL COLUMNIST

As is characteristic of much that Steve Earle has created, and much that's American, his new album *Jerusalem* begins with images of inescapable destruction and death ("Every tower ever built tumbles"), and ends, nevertheless, with an optimistic vision of peace where there's been no peace.

The texture of the trip that takes us from the strong, whispered dirge of an opener, "Ashes to Ashes," to the equally strong final title track, sparked as it is by exuberant, hopeful harmonica, is what finally matters about the listening experience of this much-anticipated release —

and not the seemingly gratuitous controversy around it.

This sixth album in six years, given both the non-sensational, ill-informed attacks that greeted this record when anyone had even heard it, and the pre-release promotion for it, is being let loose as Steve Earle's "political" record. And the first thing to know about the actual *Jerusalem* is, despite the title, only a handful of its eleven songs touch on foreign policy, or could even be called political.

The cats most likely to be remembered and played repeatedly are not among them. "I Remember You" is a tuncful rock ballad performed as a duet with Emmylou

Harris — always a welcome Earle choice.

"Go Amanda" is an outright rocker and one of several songs reflecting some new-found influence of the Rolling Stones, circa 1967-71. And the catchy, if fairly familiar "Shadowland," an early Earle style mid-tempo roots rock anthem of taking off to the darkness on the edge of town, has few obvious topical allusions alone political implications.

What does this disc sound like? Not incidentally, Earle tries out some new colors for his palette — from those Stones blasts, to the Tom Waits-like old-timey-banjo-meets-foghorn combo on the point-

ed prison portrait "The Truth," to several less successful stabs at nearhip hip beats, songs not consistently crisp.

Where experience shows Steve Earle is unlikely to go wrong is with a detailed story of a life, in context, with twists — and points — you can't forget. A terrific example — "What's a Simple Man to Do?" — follows a laid-off Mexican factory worker on a hopeful trip across the border into the U.S. who winds up in jail. With the Sir Doug style Tex-Mex border rhythms working, it's a gem.

Which brings us to the essentially similar-minded "John Walker's Blues," the "American Taliban" song that provoked all the yelling from newscasters and armchair patriots.

Earle goes further into this guy's head than he really has reason to be comfortable with. What was Walker Lindh thinking on leaving? On being caught? Who really knows?

Earle's not really inside this head and life as he's been with the death row portraits, for example. More importantly for the listener — the "Whoops, that didn't quite work



From country old-Square Records Steve Earle

out" ending simply chides a lot of listeners.

This might well be a misplaced carry-over of the Raymond Carver-esque "implied but not quite delivered" ending style Earle picked up in his short story writing — not necessarily the strongest way to go in a number intended to change general perceptions.

The other politically-tinged songs are a mixed bag. "Conspiracy Theory" is a murky anti-bulldoze that both questions and salutes paranoia

conspiratorial thinking — with some soulful and sweet singing added by Sibban Maher-Kennedy.

"America v. 60" provides shout-outs on some class-based topical themes — lousy health care coverage, ex-traditional turned yuppie security for country clubs — but never says much about them in a way that lets the listener decide whether it's right or wrong.

In the end, as some of the hype would have it — unless suggesting peace is still possible and that all people are still people really is during at this point. Maybe so. But if political songs are intended to provide energy or routes towards action, or remake mass perceptions, it's hard to argue that the listener numbers here merit those tests.

Musically, *Jerusalem* doesn't compare to great Earle albums like *I Feel Alright*, but it does offer up post-9/11 lyrics and political thought that demand listeners get their heads out of the pseudo-patriotic fog and look at what really is going on in the world today.

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Arts Calendar

"Blue and Gold Festival of Marching Bands" will be Saturday, Oct. 5th, at 11 a.m. until closing at Fayette Stadium. Free admission. For additional information call (606) 783-2486.

The Second Annual Heritage Fest, Then & Now event will be Saturday, Oct. 5 from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. at Heritage Village across from Harris Riverfront Park in Huntington, W. Va. There is no admission fee but tickets for cook-off, children's games and beverage stations will be for sale. All proceeds benefit various charities and local non-profit organizations. For additional information call (304) 523-0399.

"Americana Crossroads Live" featuring Jim Lauderdale and Carrie Newkum will be Friday, Oct. 4, at 7:30 p.m. in Burton Auditorium. Free admission. For additional information call (606) 783-2001.

Ashland's Paramount Arts Center CoffeeHouse Series will be Friday, Oct. 4, from 7 a.m. to 10:30 p.m. Wiley Dew, Steve Price and Erik Statton will be featured. Admission is \$3. For additional information call (606) 324-3175.

Cup Of Soul will be Thursday, Oct. 3, at 8:30 p.m. to 10:30 p.m. in Burton Drill Room. Admission is \$1 or one canned good. The

event is sponsored by the Black Student Coalition. Everyone is welcome. For additional information call (606) 783-2129 or (606) 783-3473.

The Kentucky Arts Education Association Fall Conference will be Friday, Oct. 4, and Saturday, Oct. 5, in Clayco's Young Art Building. The event will include featuring tours, music, presentations and more. For additional information call (606) 783-2548.

Faculty Recital: Jeanie Lee, trombone, will be Sunday, Oct. 6, at 5 p.m. in Duncan Recital Hall. Free admission. For additional information call (606) 783-2473.

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Giant's remarks are a shocker

BY GREG DAWKINS
SPORTS
COLUMNIST

New York Giants rookie Jeremy Shockey put his foot deep in it during a Sept. 10 interview with Howard Stern, and is now backpedaling as quickly as possible.

Shockey, when asked if he thought there was any gay players in the NFL, said, "I don't know. I don't like to think about that. I hope not."

Last week Shockey apologized for the remarks. Was his apology because he got wrapped on the knuckles by the New York Giants' organization and the NFL or because he was really sorry?

The homophobic remarks I'm sure are not his alone. While attending the NCAA Leadership Conference in 2001, I was a part of a discussion with 300 prominent athletes from around the nation, about the acceptance and tolerance of homosexuals. Arguments on both sides were heated. No unified conclusions were reached and, for the sake of peace, we decided to end the discussion agreement to disagree.

New York Giants Vice President of Communications Pat Henne commented: "Let's put his comments in perspective. It's Howard Stern. It's not '60 Minutes.' It's not a forum for the sociological issues of our time."

Perhaps it should be an issue on "60 Minutes" or a show like HBO's "Real Sports." Perhaps we all should freely discuss our views on the issue.

For one, I think an open discussion would quell all sorts of misconceptions — such as those evidenced in another comment Shockey made. When asked if he had any gay teammates at the University of Miami, he responded with:

"No. I mean, if I knew there was a gay guy on my college football team, I probably wouldn't, you know, stand for it. You know, I think, you know, they're going to be in the shower with us and stuff, so I don't think that's gonna work."

No. Jeremy, I don't know. Has this world just become so oversized that it thinks it just became a person of a certain sexual orientation?

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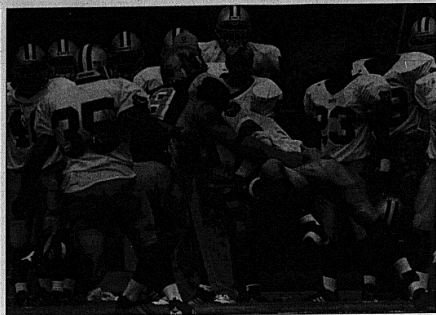


Photo by Brooks Reznat

Fullback Adam Reep provides some hard-hitting defense for the Eagles against Butler University Saturday at Jayne Stadium.

Eagles upend the doggies

BY KEVIN MCKENZIE
STAFF WRITER

The Morehead State University Eagles improved to 2-0 in Pioneer Football League action and 4-1 overall as they defeated Butler University 53-20 Saturday.

"Our guys were relentless this week," said MSU head coach Matt Balland.

Junior quarterback David Caulliff ran for a touchdown and threw for three more as the Eagle offense accounted for 608 total yards, 119 yards shy of a Morehead record.

Caulliff completed 23 of 31 passes for 364 yards and rushed for 54 yards. The team accounted for 244 total yards rushing.

Junior Vince Jenkins had two picks and three tackles as he helped the Eagle defense withstand a Bulldog rally in the third quarter.

"We tied an MSU record with five interceptions — that record has stood a long time," said Balland.

The most team interceptions in a game record dates back to a 1987 game against Kentucky State and a 1970 Murray State game.

The Eagle defense held Butler to 291 yards.

"I thought we physically dominated the football game defensively,"

The Eagles got off to a fast start in the first quarter as David White ran for a score and Caulliff connected with Ralph Delgado on a 50-yard pass to give MSU a 12-0 advantage.

Senior linebacker Zac Prewitt intercepted a Travis Delph pass and

returned it 39 yards to give the Eagles a 14-0 lead.

BU got on the board late in the first when Dale Jennings scampered 24 yards for a touchdown. The extra point attempt was blocked and MSU led 19-6 after the first.

The second quarter was all MSU; as the Eagles increased their lead to 32-6 at the half. B.J. Maselli ran 16 yards for a score and Joey Herbst added the kick. Just before the half, White caught a 12-yard touchdown pass from Caulliff to round out the scoring.

BU shaved 14 points off the Eagle lead in the third quarter as they scored two unanswered touchdowns. Bulldog Justin Campbell ran for a 62-yard touchdown and Adam Lafferty caught a 30-yard scoring pass from Delph as BU threatened a close game.

Morehead was out of sink offensively in the third. Of MSU's five third quarter drives, three ended with punts and two resulted in turnovers. BU gained momentum going into the fourth because of MSU's failure to score.

The Eagles got back on track in the final quarter as they shut down the BU scoring threat and recorded three scores of their own. White scored his third touchdown of the game. Caulliff added a running score and freshman Adam Reep closed out the Eagle attack with a 1-yard scamper.

Balland said the key to the game was MSU's ability to run the football. The run game opened up the field and allowed Caulliff to spread the ball around. MSU had nine

players with a reception and six with two or more.

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Box Score

MSU 53, Butler 20

Morehead St.	19	13	0	21	53
Tusculum	6	0	14	0	20
	MSU			BU	
First Downs	29	10			
Runs-Yards	44-244	31-183			
Passing Yards	364	181			
Comp-Att-Int	21-32-2	20-45-5			
Total Offense	75-608	59-291			
Punt Returns	5-57	1-13			
Kickoff Returns	4-56	7-79			
Interception Yards	5-47	2-12			
Sacks-Yards Lost	1-17	0-0			
Punt-Average yards	3-30.7	8-25.8			
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	3-3			
Penalties-Yards	12-121	5-45			
Time of Possession	32:43	27:17			

PFL Standings

(through games of Sept. 28)

	PFL	OVERALL
	W-L	W-L
Northern Division		
Dayton	0-1	0-1
Austin Peay	1-0	3-1
Morehead State	0-1	4-1
Morehead State	0-2	1-3
Southern Division		
Dayton	0-1	0-1
Dayton	0-1	0-1
San Diego	0-2	1-2
Valparaiso	0-0	0-4

goal at the 60:36 mark. Burns took three shots and netted them all. The OVC assistant leader Robyn Ferry assisted three goals out of the four for TTU.

During the summer, Junior midfielder Heather Lueke missed the game against Tech due to illness and she is expected to be back next week. Midfielder Ivy Oldis, a Morehead native, is out for the season with a stress fracture in her fibula. Freshman defender/midfielder Mandy Hayes is also out for the season with surgery last week on her knee. Both Oldis and Hayes are looking to red-shirt the season. Sophomore Brittany Hill has been taken the field for the Eagles because she has never been cleared for a shoulder injury.

With a keeper substitution, the Eagles did not give up and put on more scoring opportunities, but to no avail. Walhstrom's shot was three-feet wide and captain Tye Tenbolder's shot went over the crossbar.

MSU went out shut by 7-11. Connelley made three shots on goal out of her five shots.

Faber said, "We have to enter every thing we get and this year we attack much more than we have in the past. We do not take enough shots, my players feel like the shots have to be perfect instead of good. We are working on that and the amount of attacking in our matches show that we can attack we just need to finish."

Tech's Burns made a hat trick with the

Volleyball hold firm in second place of OVC

BY BROOKS REZNAT
STAFF WRITER

The Morehead state volleyball team took over second place in conference standing this weekend, hoping to win Tennessee Tech with a 3-0 win Friday in Wetherby Gymnasium. Tech was previously unbeaten in OVC play.

The Eagles followed up with a 3-1 win over Austin Peay Saturday on their home court and a 3-0 win at IUJUI last night.

Morehead, (9-8, 3-1 OVC) trails only Tennessee-Martin, which remains the only team unbeaten in OVC play at 5-0.

The Eagles, riding a three-match winning streak, have achieved an overall winning record for the first time this season — 9-8.

Morehead breezed by Tech 30-25, 30-24, 30-22. It was the 44th victory from 57 chances for the Eagles against Tech — a team record for wins against one single opponent.

Austin Peay, a nemesis to Morehead the past eight matches in which MSU has only won two, could only pull out one game against the 2002 Eagle squad. Morehead came out strong in the first two games then overcame a loss in the third before piling the Governors away 30-15, 30-24, 22-30, 30-16.

Head coach Mike Swan said, "(Austin Peay) just started to pass better, and we didn't play as aggressively as we did in the first two games. I was pleased with the way we rebounded in the fourth game."

One key to that rebound was strong serving. Morehead tallied a season-high 13 service aces, including five by right-side hitter Charmian Crisp in the fourth game.

Junior Cherelle Lumpkin and senior Amy Almond each earned double-doubles in the home matches. Lumpkin tallied a total of 29 kills and 28 digs, and Almond tallied 26 kills and 34 digs.

Peters led the team with a 364 and a 409 hitting percentage for the conference matches.

Morehead out-blocked the IUJUI Jaguars 8-4 in the 30-22, 30-27, 30-20 victory last night.

Junior Jenn Fox hit 565 to lead the team, and was followed closely by Peters at 513.

Several Eagles reached personal statistical milestones during this weekend's win.

Peters pushed her career block assist total to 292, which sits her at 13th in OVC history.

Almond moved to 15th on the OVC career kill list with 1,448. She is currently fourth on MSU's all-time list.

While individual stats are piling up, Swan said MSU's team play has been the key factor to recent success.

"Our success hasn't come from one player, it's been a team effort. When we haven't played as a team, the results haven't been as good," Swan said.

After starting the season against a tough non-conference schedule, the Eagles have breezed through conference play, winning 16 of 22 total matches.

Fox said, "We expected to win more at the beginning of the season, but now we're starting to realize how good we are, and right now we're doing what we need to do to win."

With the exception of a loss against Tennessee — Martin, the Eagles have won all their conference matches by at least 2 games, and have completed 2 sweeps.

Fox said this can lead to over confidence.

"We have to realize they're not going to lay down. We have to get on top and play above their level," Fox said.

"Overconfidence is a problem we've had and continue to have. We can't play our game, and we can't play down to an opponent's level and expect to win."

While overconfidence can result in problems, Fox said a certain degree of confidence is necessary to remain competitive.

"Winning builds confidence, and continuing to win, will make us

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OVC Standings

(through games of Sept. 30)

	OVC	OVERALL
	W-L	W-L
UT - Martin	5-0	10-3
Tenn. Tech	5-1	8-8
SEMO	2-2	7-9
Eastern Ky	3-3	4-8
Tenn. Tech	1-2	4-9
Eastern Illinois	1-3	6-10
Murray State	1-4	2-9
Tenn. State	0-1	9-6
Austin Peay	0-2	4-10

MSU soccer team fall to 1-6 for the season with 4-1 OVC loss

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The Morehead State soccer team (1-6, 0-1 OVC) dropped the Ohio Valley Conference opener 1-4 to Tennessee Tech (8-1, 2-0 OVC) Sunday at Jayne Stadium.

The opening ten minutes of play was end-to-end tension building as chances went begging. The MSU defense broke at the 11:38 mark when Tennessee Tech's Jill Burns, OVC leading scorer, put the ball away from teammate Robyn Vince.

Burns got a jump on the Eagle defense, which set an offside trap, as Burns chased down the pass and went head on with the keeper. Head coach Leslie Faber expressed his concern to the referee that the sideline referee was out of position and missed the call — a sentiment felt by the crowd who let the referee know it throughout the game.

The Eagles tied the game with a corner kick that forced a Tech own goal at the 22:35 mark. TTU's defense tried to clear the ball headed on by Eagle midfielder Elise Walhstrom, but the ball sailed back for the own goal.

Workman was assisted from the field in a collision with a Tech player.

"Workman's X-rays were negative for a break so I suppose she has a sprained state non-clavicular joint," Faber said. "It is extremely painful — more so than an actual break so that is bad for us. She will be out for probably a week and maybe more depending upon her pain tolerance and her body healing and recovering."

On top of Workman's injury, coach Faber has a long injury list: Brittney Cook was taken out in the game because of a recurring ailment. She is day-to-day with an inversion fracture in her foot suffered

MSU midfielder Casey Mowery tried to change the mood of the game with some good passes and MSU's defense, Sara Graf, Megan Collins and Brittney Cook sacrificed their bodies to stop TTU's attacks. Tech's goalkeeper saved an Eagle opportunity shot from 30-yards out by captain Allison Connelley.

TTU jumped out to a two-goal buffer for the half with goals at the 30:33 and 41:24 marks, respectively.

Sophomore goalkeeper Stefani Workman saved Ashley Vidal's shot in a face-to-face situation. Both Workman and replacement goalkeeper Jennifer Miller made two saves each.

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Four yellow cards were issued in the game with the Eagles written up three times.

The Eagles next game against conference foe Murray State (3-4) on Saturday at the Rowan County Community High School at 2 p.m.

The series is tied 1-1, with MSU defeated last year by 6-6. Murray State has an advantage for goals per game by 2.57 in the seven games to MSU's 1.86 in eight games. Both Theresa Reddy and Kristin Robertson of Murray State have scored four goals in their seven games.

Murray is a good team, they have quality athletes and I believe it will be a battle, if we can continue to play with the intensity we have had in the last two matches. Faber said, it will be a good match. Every team in the OVC can beat the other on any given day. We will have to execute our game plan and finish to be successful."

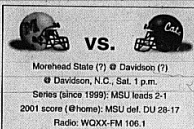
Last year was a tough year and we were not competitive score wise in many matches, the intensity and skill level of our players is much greater this year and we should be more competitive in every match we play this season, Faber said.

(Rowan County high school is not

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Eagle keeper Stefani Workman was assisted from the field by trainer Jamey Carver.

Davidson stands in way of a Morehead title shot at League Championship



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With a championship at stake, game six of the season for the Eagles (4-1) will be no regular game, as they take on Pioneer Football League divisional rival Davidson (3-1) Saturday at Davidson, N.C.

"It is a huge game, all divisional games are crucial; but this is our first one, so our minds and bodies will have to be with us this weekend," head coach Matt Ballard said.

We have to jump on them, and score early Ballard said. It is going to be very important, because this game can decide the future of the season.

The Wildcats upset preseason favorites Jacksonville 28-10 in their

first divisional game. A PFL coach's poll had JU picked number one over Morehead, and Davidson third, followed by Austin Peay.

Davidson also has victories over Newberry (34-7), and Emory & Henry (44-7). Its loss was against VMI (16-41).

"Davidson had a great start; they've got that first divisional win under the belt," Ballard said. "They are going to be sky high for Morehead State coming in to their stadium. It is going to be an interesting ball game."

Junior linebacker Vincent Jenkins said, "We feel we can win, we definitely feel confident, and it is probably going to be the toughest division game we're going to play."

The series between the two teams dates back only to 1999, with Morehead holding a 2-1 advantage. The Eagles' 38-31 loss was in 2000.

"Davidson has a very outstanding team, they are very sharp, a very smart football team, and great disciplined football team, and run

extremely well," Ballard said. "They are good in everything they do. They put pressure on you in all three phases of the game. We will have to play our best football game - there is no doubt about it."

"We have to eliminate penalties, turnovers, and we cannot allow the big run or the big pass," Ballard said.

Defense is going to be an important factor in the game, Ballard said.

"Our defense is playing so well, when we have problems they are like the cavalry - they come to the rescue. When we confront sudden change, the defense gets excited, and hopefully they will continue to do that, but hopefully we won't have to call on the cavalry."

Ballard said, the Wildcats' special teams are wonderful and is where Davidson have exploded on opponents. He said he was concerned with his team allowing the Davidson special teams breaking out for big plays, and his squad would have to concentrate to stop that from happening.

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Louisville at 1 p.m. MSU and Louisville played once in 1999 for a Louisville victory.

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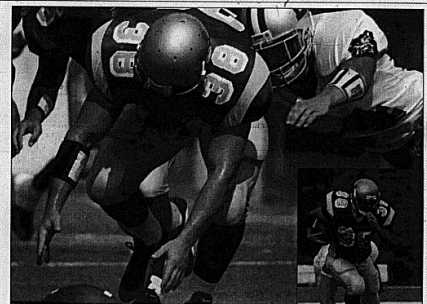
Soccer host Murray State at RCSHS

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our home turf but the high school is the best option available to us on Saturday," Faber said. "It will play like a neutral site rather than a home turf advantage. I am

thankful the high school is allowing us to use their facility because the alternatives at this point are not good."

The Eagles return to Jayne Stadium Sunday as they host



(Above) Junior defensive back Vince Jenkins swarms on the ball after a Butler turnover, and breaks into stride (right) - turning defense into offense, Jenkins accounted for two interceptions in the Morehead win, and was named the PFL Defensive Player of the Week.

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Volleyball on road this week

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play even better. "We don't expect anything less than a win each match," Fox said.

The Eagles next travel to Lipscomb Friday, before OVC matches at Tennessee State Saturday and Eastern Kentucky Tuesday.

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tion is within three feet or the same room that they automatically want to jump your bones? Somehow I don't think so, whether you are heterosexual or homosexual I'm sure we can all have a bit more control than that... I hope so.

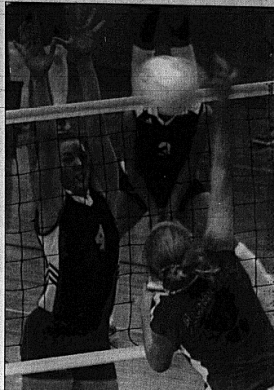
I cannot condone hate or ignorance. But I can through respect someone's opinion. To steal a statement from Hank Aaron - "It's better to know what people think than to have people hide behind political correctness."

When apologizing, Shockey said he was trying to be funny with his remarks and it wasn't his intention to offend anyone.

One wonders how Shockey deflates funny? Don't you hate it when people back down from an offensive statement with the excuse "it was just a joke." If you said it, you said it. At least have the backbone to stand by your statement.

However, if I'm a gay player on Shockey's team, I just took another step back into the closet. But also we have all taken another step back into the closet on discussing the issue and allowing an insincere apology sweep the issue under the rug. I raise this question - can we not live in a world of tolerance? I'd like to think we can.

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Senior middle blocker Tiffany Peters attempts to block an Austin Peay opponent Saturday. She helped MSU to victories over Tennessee Tech and Austin Peay with the team highs in hitting percentage and blocks.

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Golf squad not on par at fall tournaments

Senior Sean Riley's two-over par could not carry the Morehead State men's golf squad to more than a 16th place Friday and Saturday at the Colonel Classic on Arlington Golf Course in Richmond, Ky.

The Eagles, with rounds of 303 and 302, tied with Northern Kentucky University (304, 301) for a total of 605 strokes - a distant 39 strokes from host and champions Eastern Kentucky (286-280-566).

The makeup of the MSU squad included two seniors—Sean Riley and Josh Earnest, and three newcomers—Kyle Litter, Chad Carroll, and Casey Wade.

Riley's 74-72=146 was just six strokes from the lead, but only good for a tied 19th place finish. Litter followed for the Eagles tied in 50th with a score of 74-76=150.

Earnest totaled a score of 75, 80=155, to tie for 87th place. Tied in 98th place was Wade 80-77=157 and Carroll (82-77=159) tied for 103rd with a 82-77=159 total.

The Eagles also finished sixth of ten teams in Indianapolis last Monday and Tuesday at the Butler Fall Invitational with a score of 897 over three rounds.

The young Eagle team, with just two returning letter-winners, combined for a score of 298-306-604=818. His five-over par tally put him in a four-way tie for sixth place, nine strokes off medalist Anderson of Tech.

Riley totaled a score of 76-68-75=219, to tie for 10th place. Tied in 42nd place was Earnest (76-81-76=233) and Hansford (81-78-

74=233). Wade placed 53rd with a 75-83-81=239 total.

Tennis teams open fall schedule

The MSU men's tennis squad opened their fall tournament campaign at UK for the Charles Fluit Invitational this weekend.

Kentucky, ranked eighth nationally, hosted the Eagles, conference foe Eastern Kentucky, and several nationally ranked teams: Alabama, Louisville, Middle Tennessee, Mississippi, Tulane and Vanderbilt.

Benjamin Schmid led Morehead State with a sixth place finish in the 16-player A draw. Schmid was 2-2 for the tournament with wins over two Middle Tennessee opponents and two losses to Louisville opponents.

The fall tournament season for the Lady Eagles opened at Tennessee-Chattanooga.

Sherragh Stewart led the team with a 7-6, 7-6 victory over Birmingham Southern's Jennifer Williams in the A Singles draw. In the quarterfinals Stewart was forced out with an elbow injury.

Eagle runners second at Queen City Invitational

It took freshman Josh Sheets to set the pace for the Eagle men's cross country team to a second place finish last Saturday (Sept. 20) at the Queen City Invitational hosted by the University of Cincinnati. While the women's charge bunked more on seniority with Kelly Austin out front for a fifth place finish.

Sheets placed eighth of collegiate runners, to match his finish at Ashbury College, in a time of 27:38.48 over the 8K course. The freshman recorded his fastest collegiate time by nearly a minute and 25 seconds, and was MSU's top finisher for first time in his career.

Austin placed ninth of collegiate runners in 19:53.92 over the women's 5K course. It is the second straight race for Austin to be MSU's highest placed women's runner.

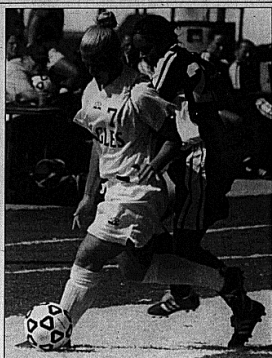
For the Eagles, junior Larry Atkins (Huntington, W. Va.) finished 10th in 27:47.90; senior Aaron Arnold (Grayson, Ky.) followed in 12th place with a time of 27:28.05; senior J.C. Chirgwin

(Huntington, W. Va.) took 14th in 28:09.87 and junior Adam Rubenau (Lakewood, NJ) came 15th in 28:11.50 to round out the scoring five for Morehead. James Clements finished 17th in 28:53.67; Patrick Henley finished 28th in 30:54.90, and Josh Anderson finished in 33:25.65 for 37th overall in the 52-runner field.

Austin's time of 19:53.92 was just over a 30 second improvement from the first race of the season, but still some 50 seconds shy of medalist Ruth Lingo of Cincinnati (19:01.10).

The rest of the MSU pack consisted of 21st placed Alicia Brown in 20:59.42; sophomore Alecia Velez (Cincinnati, Ohio) in 28th place (21:00.13); 50th placed Amanda Schilling earned the Lady Eagles 37 points in a time of 22:21.54; and in 22:50.86 - sophomore Farrah Spellman (Corbin, Ky.) took 55th for 42 points to round out MSU's top five.

Samantha Hall was 70th of the 75-runner field, finishing in 25:28.72.



Freshman forward Heidi Dicken beats a Tech opponent in a challenge for the ball Sunday at Jayne Stadium.

Trail Blazer Student-Athletes of the Week:

Tiffany Peters and Vince Jenkins



Vince Jenkins

Both volleyball's senior middle-blocker Tiffany Peters and football's junior defensive back Vince Jenkins had outstanding weeks to help their teams to victory.

Peters, a Perryburg, Ohio native, finished the week with 2.45 kills per game, a .312 hitting percentage, and 1.36 blocks per game with wins over Tenn. Tech, Austin Peay and a loss to Marshall.

Jenkins, a Jackson, Ohio native, collected two interceptions for 33 yards, with two solo and two assisted tackles in the 53-20 victory over Butler.

Peters and Jenkins are the co-Trail Blazer student-athletes of the week.



Tiffany Peters

Athletics Schedule

Oct. 4	Volleyball @ Lipscomb	4:30 p.m.
Oct. 5	Volleyball @ Tenn. State	12 p.m.
	Football @ Davidson	1 p.m.
	Soccer vs. Murray State* (RCHS)	2 p.m.
	Roller @ Austin Peay	
	Cross Country @ Louisville	
Oct. 6	Soccer vs. Louisville (Jayne Stadium)	1 p.m.
Oct. 6-7	Softball @ Western Kentucky	
Oct. 8	Volleyball @ Eastern Kentucky*	7 p.m.

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